

bring the same type of companies to this state, that all our effort were for naught, that what we tried to do seven years ago, eight years ago was unsuccessful. It was a miserable failure if you were to read the language in the intent section that we have, in effect, failed. And I am not ready to throw in the towel. I don't think we failed. I think we have done a great job. I think Micron thinks we have done a great job. I think the reason they are here, the reason we are in the top three is the exact opposite of what is in this intent language. We have done an outstanding job of selling ourselves, and that they are looking at us, not premised on the passage of this type of legislation. Whether we pass it or not is another issue. But clearly don't put this kind of intent language in the statutes that says we don't lie prostrate at the feet of the business community for purposes of trying to bring a company within our state. I would argue that the chief executive officers, the board, look at this kind of a proposal and laugh, that they, basically, find much humor in these kinds of proposals; that as mice run through the maze looking for the cheese, they think the Legislature in Nebraska does the same thing, and we do that at the behest of the Chambers of Commerce, not at the behest of Micron. I think Micron is very well run and absolutely the kind of company we want to bring to this state, and they are here. Ladies and gentlemen, they are here. They have been here. They have selected us as one of the finalists, and I applaud them for that because I think they made a good decision. And I think they ought to make Nebraska their location. I would hope that they would, but the fact of the matter is that 830 has no part in that, or very little part in that. LB 830 did not get us to the final three. It had nothing to do with it. To think otherwise is to say that somehow Micron does not run their business like a business, that they have not gotten to the point where they can expand and are looking at other opportunities. There are a number of different reasons why they look at various states; they want to diversify, they want to have a geographic centrality for purposes of their operations, they want to look at the work forces available, they want to look at the business climate, they want to look at a number of things. The fact of the matter is 830 is a very small component part of that final decision that is ultimately made because we have made the cut, if you will. We have gotten to the final three. We are going to play in the big house and, absolutely, I hope we win the tip and the final score is in our favor, but who knows. I don't believe that section (10) of this proposal, nor any of the intent language that is built into